



## LANCHESTER E.P. (Cont.) PRIMARY SCHOOL



Weekly Bulletin 5 – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would just like to thank you all for your great support during this very long term! The children have been battling so many germs and bugs recently but hopefully they will all be fully recovered for the Christmas holidays. However, first, we have four very busy days in school next week to help the children remember the real message of Christmas as well as enjoying themselves with some great festivities.

### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – KS1 Nativities**

All children from Years 1 and 2 will be performing their nativity on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 10am and 2pm. The doors will open 30 minutes before it starts, allowing us time to ensure the hall is set up in good time. As usual, in keeping with our standard practice, unless I am informed to the contrary, photographs can be taken on the understanding that they are for your own personal use and not posted on social media. Thank you for your understanding with this.

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – Choir singing at Lynwood House**

The choir will be singing at Lynwood House on Tuesday lunchtime for a lunch raising money to support the Village Bus. They will be accompanied by two members of staff and will have lunch before leaving.

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – KS1 and Lower KS2 (Years 3 & 4) Christmas Parties**

The Christmas parties will take place during the afternoon. Children can either come to school in the morning dressed in their party clothes or most children tend to bring their clothes and change during lunchtime, ready for the afternoon. The parties finish at normal home time.

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm – Carols and Hot Chocolate Round The Christmas Tree**

Our annual carol sing-song around the Christmas Tree takes place on Tuesday immediately after school. Please make your way to the Junior Hall where we will greet you with festive singing, hot chocolate, marshmallows and cream and great company! This is always a very popular event but please remember that all children MUST be accompanied by an adult. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Early Years and Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6) Christmas Parties**

Children in Years 5 & 6 can either come to school dressed in their party clothes or change into them during lunchtime in time for their party in the afternoon.

Meanwhile, on Wednesday, Early Years children will enjoy a Christmas Celebration Day with party games and Christmas activities taking place all day. Children are welcome to come dressed in party clothes for the day.

Goldfish and Monday - Wednesday Robins will have their party food in the morning before they go home. The rest of the children will have their party food in the afternoon. Bags will be sent home for you to send in on Wednesday with some party treats for your child. Please note that due to allergies we are a nut-free school. We will provide drinks for your child.

We hope to welcome a Very Special Visitor to see the children on Party Day. Please let us know if your child may be worried about meeting him!

### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Nativity and Christingle at 10am and 2pm**

Our annual Key Stage 2 Nativity and Christingle will take place in All Saints Church at 10am and 2pm. These are always exceptionally well-attended so please arrive early for a seat. There will be a retiring collection for our charity of the year – NECCR (North-East Children's Charity Research) so please give generously to this very worthwhile cause. Please note, all children must return to school at the end of the service and will not be able to leave with parents from the church.

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – LJG Holiday Club in School**

If you need an extra day to finish your shopping or wrap presents, then Mr Graham's holiday club is going to be the answer! Forms are available from the school office or the website – booking is advisable to guarantee a place.

Alternatively, Gala Theatre Durham have a special offer on their pantomime tickets for the 2pm show of Aladdin on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets are just £10 each using code Teacher£10. Book online at [www.galadurham.gov.uk](http://www.galadurham.gov.uk) or call the Box Office on 03000 266 600.

### **Christmas Cards**

These are currently being printed and should be with you very early next week.

### **Twitter Festive Homework**

We have 15 Festive Homework activities for you to enjoy over the next few weeks for our Twitter Homework Challenge. We would love you to tweet us your photos/videos of you enjoying the activities. Just please remember NOT to include any names! Thank you.

Please remember that there are no after school clubs, apart from the chargeable wrap around care next week and school is closed on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 and we re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

On behalf of all the staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a very happy new year. Thank you again, for your wonderful support this year. Make the most of special family time over the holiday period.

Yours sincerely,

*Jane Davis*

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